

The male is currently the subject of further research entailing attempts to set up a cell-line culture to allow examination of the karyotype of the male in comparison with that of females, direct karyological examination of cells from females having failed to reveal dividing cells. The remnants of the male, and comparator females, are to be lodged in the Department of Zoology Museum, University of Cambridge, once the karyological examinations have been completed.

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### The distribution of *Ectoedemia quinquella* (Bedell) (Lep.: Nepticulidae) in Berkshire

Previously I reported the occurrence of the nepticulid *Ectoedemia quinquella* in eastern Berkshire, in the area south of Reading (*Ent. Rec.* **109**: 187-188). During field work this autumn I searched for new sites for this moth. On 16 November 1997 I visited Baynes Wood nature reserve near Greenham Common in central Berkshire. Here, on a large oak growing beside the road at the entrance to the reserve I found mines of this species in abundance. Larvae were also found mining several oaks on the reserve. This site in central Berkshire together with the records for eastern Berkshire referred to above and those published by Baker (1994. *Butterflies and moths of Berkshire*) for Tubney Wood and Buckland Warren in the north-west of the county show that *E. quinquella* is widespread in the county. Indeed, it is abundant in several places.— I. SIMS, 2 The Delph, Lower Earley, Reading, Berkshire RG6 3AN.

### *Digitivalva pulicariae* Klimesch (Lep.: Yponomeutidae) new to North Hampshire

On 27 April 1996, after a very warm day, an example of *D. pulicariae* flew to m.v. light here, along with twenty other species. I am grateful to John Langmaid, who identified the specimen for me, and to Barry Goater, who confirmed the record as new to VC12. Both the cited foodplants, *Pulicaria dysenterica* and *Eupatorium cannabinum*, grow in this neighbourhood.—ALASDAIR ASTON, Wake's Cottage, 1 The Street, Selborne, Hampshire GU34 3JH.